

# CREST CUMBERLAND FLOOD EXPECTED AT NASHVILLE TUESDAY

## CAPITOL AWAITING COBB AND SPEAKER TO PRESENT CASES

Action Contemplated By Stars Not Yet Indicated

ENGAGEMENTS ARE NOT MADE

Aid Of Congress May Be Sought To Clear Names

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Friends of Ty Cobb and Tris Speaker, at the capitol and elsewhere, waited patiently today for the two former American league baseball managers to put in an appearance to lay their cases before government officials.

Just what action the men intend to take as result of the charges made against them in documents made public last week, by Judge K. M. Landis, high commissioner of baseball, has not been disclosed.

There were reports that they might ask an investigation of baseball under the anti-trust laws or try to interest some members of Congress in their cases in an official way, but no steps in such a direction were apparent.

No engagements were listed for them today at the department of justice or the postoffice department, while Senator Harris, democrat, Georgia, whose office Cobb was expected to visit, had not been informed that he was in Washington. Cobb and Speaker were reported last night as being en route to Washington, but neither has been seen in his old haunts here.

## CHURCHES FILLED BY LARGE CROWDS

Cantatas At Local Churches Prove Successful

Albany-Decatur people offered unusual encouragement to singers appearing in cantatas at Westminster Presbyterian and Central Baptist church Sunday afternoon and evening. Both churches were filled with large and attentive audiences, hearing presentation of Christmas messages in song.

At five o'clock Sunday afternoon Mrs. George Jackson, assisted by Mrs. R. C. Perkins, presented the Westminster choir, augmented with singers from other churches, in a beautiful spiritual Christmas message. Every available space in the auditorium was filled with hundreds of Twin City song lovers. Many congratulated singers and directors at the conclusion of the sacred service.

An even larger crowd heard the cantata under the direction of Mrs. Seneca Burr, at Central Baptist church at 7:30 Sunday evening. The service was pretentious, with the cantata program interspersed with solo numbers by leading singers from over the cities.

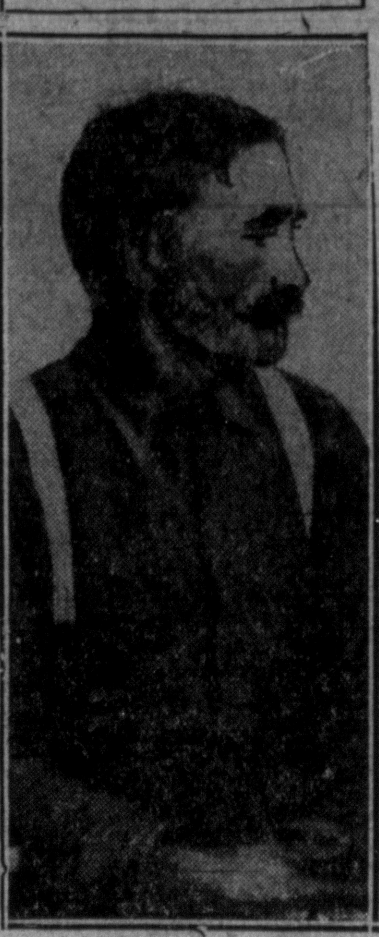
## Daily Is Given High Ranking In Publicity Plan

The Albany-Decatur Daily, up to the latest tabulation of Shop-O-Scope advertising had a ratio not counting fractions of one advertisement for every subscriber, according to figures announced Monday. This ratio gave the Daily the high ranking of "one."

The production score sheet says: "The Vineland (N. J.) Journal increased the dizzy pace which it had already set in group E—and now shows the remarkable ratio of .3. Four other papers, with ratios of 1, are tied for second place—the Albany-Decatur, Ala. Daily, The Redding (Calif.) Free Press, the Fremont (O.) Messenger and the Niles (O.) Times."

Through the tabulation made of the Daily's Shop-O-Scope to December 15, The Daily has published more than 2,000 ads.

## Vows Vengeance



Christopher Olson, of Prairie Du Chien, Wis., vowed vengeance for the murder of his daughter, Clara Olson. A warrant was issued for her sweetheart, Erdman Olson.

## MOTOR USE SHOWS 11.2 PERCENT GAIN

Alabama Maintains a 16.1 Percent Gain Figures Reveal

Car and truck registration for 1926 in Alabama reveals that state to have gained 16.1 per cent in use of motor driven vehicles in comparison with the year 1925. Cars in use in this state, according to Motor, automotive business paper, for the year 1926 number 196,154. Trucks number 29,776. Figures for 1925 show Alabama to have had in use 171,387 cars in 1925 23,193 trucks.

Compared with the nation, Alabama stood above the average, the nation having maintained an average of 11.2 per cent. Only six states in the nation showed greater gains for the year, including Arkansas, District of Columbia, Florida, Idaho, Mississippi and Oklahoma.

For the United States, the automotive paper continues, there are 22,842,437 cars and trucks in use, classified as: Passenger cars 19,465,676. Trucks 2,876,781. The number of cars taken out of service amounted to 1,875,000. The gain in per cent during 1926 over 1925 was not as great as the figure made in 1925 over 1924, the percentage gain that period having been 13.9.

## George Watson Holiday Visitor

George Henry Watson, formerly a member of The Daily staff, and later state news editor of the Birmingham Age Herald, was a holiday visitor here, enroute to Lawrence county to spend the holidays with homefolks. Mr. Watson has quit newspaper ranks and now is ranked as one of the Magic City's regressive young realtors.



HOYT WINSLETT

## SOLONS GATHERED FOR CONVENING OF SPECIAL SESSION

Virtually All Present For Organization On Tuesday

HIGHWAY ACT TO THE FRONT

Governor's Salary To Be Raised To \$10,000 By Proposed Bill

MONTGOMERY, Dec. 27.—(AP)—The special session of the legislature, opening tomorrow, took precedence over all other matters of importance here this morning with virtually every member of both houses on the job.

Interest continued keen for the house leadership and committee appointments, while the subjects for which the legislature has been called, highway bonds and gasoline tax, have come in for a little of the unofficial discussion so far.

Early this morning the capitol became thronged with legislators visiting the various departments. The steady line of visitors at the governor's office kept the chief executive occupied. Supporters of the highway measures, which are proposed by Governor-Elect Graves, assert that there will be no difficulty encountered in passing both the bond issue and gasoline tax measures, while a bill which Senator Charles T. Teasley has announced he would present calling for an increase in the governor's salary from \$7,500 to \$10,000 also should pass with little opposition many legislators believe.

Legislative leaders are hopeful that the special session can be brought to an end with the fifth legislative day, which will be possible only if no deadlock is created over the speakership and if the reading of bills is put through without delay in both houses.

## COTTON YIELD IS NEARLY A RECORD

Morgan County Near 40,000 Bales With Ginning Slow

Morgan county may reach 40,000 bales for an all-time record in cotton yield this year. The prediction is made on the strength of the last government estimate made of 36,453, of cotton ginned prior to December 13, 1926. The yield is compared with a 1925 yield to the same date of 35,348 bales.

With ginning slowly coming toward a halt it is hardly probable that the figure will exceed 40,000 bales this year, though ginning and marketing of the crop will continue through March of the coming year.

Morgan county continues to hold to seventh place in the state ranking, six other Alabama counties having pushed ahead, with Madison county leading at a gigantic figure of 57,279. Madison is nearly 10,000 bales ahead of the 1925 comparison. Limestone county has reached 41,053, while Cullman has 43,021 bales. Lawrence and Lauderdale counties are down the list, the former having 28,138 and the latter 29,807.

## New Year's Party Promises To Be Largest In History of Paper; Time To Be Announced Later

At the same time the cohorts of Wallace Wade, those lads from down Capstone way, are treating Stanford University to an afternoon in the gentle art of assault with intent to murder, the Albany-Decatur Daily is going to give its New Year's sporting party. The Daily will receive the play-by-play detail of the Alabama-Stanford game, giving the plays to a waiting public just so fast as the plays trickle over the wires. The time the party begins will be announced later, the Associated Press, which service will be used in obtaining details of the game, not yet having informed the newspaper of the time the wires will be opened.

The Daily had a satisfactory party last year when Pooley Hubert and company were showing George Wilson, Washington Huskie, that Alabamians could take it and come back for more. There was a crowd here that day, but nothing compared with the crowd expected

## BEE LINE TRAFFIC IS HAMPERED BY BRIDGE BUILDING

Car Hangs By Wheels Over Edge of Drop On Highway

BUS STICKS IN MUD OF DETOUR

Rains Make the Sides Of Road Almost Impassable

Traffic north and south on the Bee Line highway has been seriously hampered over the holiday as a result of work being done on the small bridge, just south of here, although no casualties have resulted.

J. A. Woodard, a high school teacher, of Helena, Ala., enroute to Lawrenceburg, Tenn., suffered the narrowest escape from probably serious injury over the holiday. Unaware of the situation resulting from the widening of the bridge, he drove his car to the edge of the road before discovering the bridge was not there. His car miraculously hung by the back wheels over what was said to have been an eight-foot drop. White's wreck was called to the scene to evacuate the machine from its perilous position.

H. J. Hudson, of 2020 Fourth avenue, Birmingham, trailing the Woodard car, halted his machine before encountering serious trouble.

The Ratliff bus, in attempting to negotiate the detour, got off the plank temporary road, but passengers were transferred to another car and conveyed to their Hartselle destination.

A Christmas tea dance, planned by the dancing contingent here for Christmas afternoon at Rentroc, was called off when it became apparent that much difficulty would be encountered by cars attempting to use the Bee Line highway. The dance, planned for Christmas night at Rentroc was changed to the Valley Country club because of the condition of the road.

The work has been underway on the bridge for several weeks, the construction being seriously interfered with last week by the heavy rains. The bridge formerly was extremely narrow, providing space for two cars to pass only with extraordinary careful driving. When the construction is completed, the bridge will be wide enough to eliminate danger of collision.

## NO MEETING

The board of directors of the Junior Chamber of Commerce will not hold their regular weekly meeting tonight, having set the date of the first session of the new board at Monday evening, January 3.

## Dan Moody, Texas Governor, Will Take Bride To Executive Mansion

By International News Service  
FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 27.—When Dan Moody, Texas' youthful Governor-elect steps into the executive mansion at Austin next month, relieving Governor Miriam A. Ferguson of her duties, he will take with him his young bride of a few months.

The young governor will have his time pretty well filled, it was expected, between running the affairs of the largest state in the Union and watching Mrs. Moody's progress as a housekeeper.

Moody was a bachelor up until the beginning of his campaign for Governor. He then married Miss Mildred Thaxton, of Abilene, and she accompanied Dan in his swings around the circuit seeking the Democratic gubernatorial nomination. This was their honeymoon.

Dan and Mrs. Moody will be among the youngest, if not actually the youngest, gubernatorial couples that the country has ever seen.

## COACHES ADMIT ADMIRATION OF OTHERS ABILITY

Wade Expects "Pop" to Show New Tricks to His Eleven

STANFORD NOT 'SERIOUS' YET

Warner Warns Team Work Necessary To Beat 'Bama

PASADENA, Cal., Dec. 27.—(AP)—With both coaches admitting the other has attained a high degree of perfection in moulding gridiron machines for the game between the University of Alabama and Stanford university here New Year's Day, speculation as to the result has centered largely on the mental attitude of the players.

Glenn (Pop) Warner, grizzled Stanford mentor, fears his men are not taking the coming game seriously enough. He blames the Christmas holidays and the series of examinations for the lapse in interest which he claims has diverted attention from the central idea of repelling the Crimson Tide.

Wallace Wade, who brought his Alabama team to Los Angeles with 150 rooters, has expressed confidence in his eleven, but believes he is to match wit with "the greatest living football coach" and must present a "smart" team Saturday.

Recalling Warner's record at Carlyle, Pittsburg and Stanford, Wade declared the veteran mentor had been responsible for many of the outstanding plays used throughout the football world and that it was reasonable to expect "Pop" might spring some new surprises.

The Alabama team will train this week at Los Angeles, while Warner says he will attempt to direct the minds of his charges back to serious football with several hard practices here.

## Cities Are Quiet During Holidays

Albany and Decatur celebrated Christmas joyously—but quietly. Authorities of both municipalities this morning reported there was little disorder. Cases docketed in the police courts were few and were generally for minor offenses.

## EARTH SHOCK FELT

FRESNO, Cal., Dec. 27.—(AP)—An earthquake was felt here and in Turlock, 80 miles from here at 1:30 o'clock this morning. The shock was felt by telephone operators and others but apparently did not damage.

## General Rains Expected To Increase Sufferings

### FERRY SYSTEM IS HALTED WITH RISE OF RIVER WATERS

Travel North Is Cut Off Early Today As Tennessee Rises

### WATER STANDING AT TWENTY FEET

Three Foot Rise Is Expected Before Crest Reached

Travel to the north is cut-off with the Tennessee river having reached a flood stage of twenty feet and expected to rise an additional three feet. Ferry service was suspended Sunday afternoon.

With that portion of the Bee Line highway bordering Swan and Beaver lakes submerged, travel has halted from the north. Ferry employees stated this morning that it is likely that the system will not be in use again before Thursday or Friday, high waters making safe landing an impossibility. The last travelers were ferried over the rapidly rising stream Sunday afternoon and operations halted this morning.

The river has now reached a stage of 20 feet, with the crest expected Tuesday or Wednesday, rising to a flood stage of 23 feet.

With the north section cut-off Albany-Decatur routes from other sections appear to have fared better with the receding flood. The Somerville-Decatur roadway, under water Saturday and Sunday has now dried sufficiently to allow travel. Roads in the Trinity section, west of here, are declared to be in better condition with the two days of dry weather and travelers are getting through with comparatively little difficulty. To the south there is little difficulty and bus lines are running on schedule between these cities, Hartselle and Cullman.

One note of optimism was sounded today when boatmen declared that the river will not go so high as in former years. The present rise, however, is the highest in recent years and has occasioned some misapprehension regarding the safety of the bridge project now being thrown across the stream.

Work on the Swan lake bridge has likewise been halted, waters having swept across the temporary structures.

In Albany-Decatur there were many stories regarding the affects of the continuous rains. Several citizens who do not reside near the river report that cellars have become a sea of mud and water and that heating facilities have almost become useless. Total damage in the flooded areas has not been estimated.

### Rabbit Hunters Will Be Helped By Wet Weather

High Waters Driving Animals From The Sloughs

The high waters, following the unusually heavy downpours of the past few days, may work untold hardship on some people, but the rabbit hunters are looking forward to a few days of real sport.

The high waters are declared to be driving the rabbits and other game from the sloughs and low places to the higher points and hunters, able to negotiate the woods without the aid of a motor launch, are said to be finding game easy to find.

### CHRISTMAS BOOZE TAKES 11 LIVES

More Persons Sent To Hospitals Than In Previous Years

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.—(AP)—Poisoned Christmas liquor and excessive drinking today had gathered a toll here of eleven deaths, three less than last year, and 73 persons sent to hospitals for alcoholism more than in 1924 and 1925 together.

Eight of the deaths were in Manhattan and three in Brooklyn. Improperly re-distilled alcohol was largely responsible, in the opinion of Dr. Charles Norris, chief medical examiner. Dr. Thomas A. Gonzales, assistant medical examiner, said, however, that autopsies on seven of the dead indicated that excessive drinking, rather than poisonous elements, was responsible.

Dr. Norris said the bootleggers were so rushed that in re-distilling liquor, known to contain poisonous substances, they would not take time to purify it properly. Of 65 cases of alcoholism reported by Bellevue hospital, only 15 were considered serious and attendants said all probably would recover.

Twenty of the 65 were released after treatment. Included in those admitted were eight women.

Only one victim of bad liquor was reported in Chicago over the week-end, but Dr. Herman N. Bundesen, city health commissioner, there, estimated that "poison" costing upward of \$10,000,000 was distributed in that city as gifts.

### Jewel Presented To T.H. Mattocks

T. H. Mattocks, well known local citizen, was presented by DeMolay Commandery No. 14, Knights Templar, with a past eminent commander's jewel on Christmas Day. Mr. Mattocks also is a past grand commander of the grand commandery of Alabama and is one of the state's best known Masons.

### Schulman Goes To Guntersville

The Albany P. and H. company, on Second avenue, will quit business on January 1, according to announcement given here. It is understood Mr. Schulman, the proprietor, will go into business in Guntersville, Marshall county.

### ALABAMA MINERS FORCED FROM PIT BY RISING WATERS

Walker Properties In Mineral Belt Are Menaced

### NASHVILLE HIT THE SEVEREST

Thousands are Driven To Seek Shelter By Rising Streams

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 27.—(AP)—More than 1,000 coal miners in Walker county were thrown out of employment temporarily today, as result of flood waters rising in several properties. In some instances much damage was reported.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Dec. 27.—(AP)—With thousands already driven from their homes and property damage estimated variously into the hundreds of thousands of dollars, Tennessee, Arkansas, Mississippi and Kentucky today were preparing to meet an even greater emergency. General rains predicted for today were expected to make more acute conditions which were taxing relief sources.

Nashville, Tenn., with more than 50 blocks inundated and 2,500 people driven from their homes, probably was the most severely hit point in the area affected by the flood. Four were known dead as result of the swollen river and other smaller streams in the affected area. There were three drownings resulting directly from automobile accidents.

At Pine Bluff, Ark., two men were drowned when their car turned over into a small stream. A similar accident cost a Columbus, Miss., man his life. Exposure from wading in a creek was the cause of a fourth death, that of a man from Selmer, Tenn.

More than 50 blocks in Nashville were inundated by the backwaters from the Cumberland river which runs in an S shape through the city. The crest of the flood there is expected to be reached tomorrow, following further rains in the head lands.

Estimates of the probable number of people who would be driven from their homes should the river attain the expected 53 feet increased to 4,000, while buildings which would be flooded would pass the 1,000 mark.

Swollen streams in Mississippi have sent hundreds away from their homes. More than 100 had vacated their homes last night as waters from the Tombigbee river inundated a section of the town. Heavy damage to highways, live stock and crops also was reported.

### Record Broken For Number Of Ads In Edition

Probably all records for number of advertisements contained in a single issue of the Daily were broken on Christmas Eve, when the annual messages of good will and appreciation from local business people to their friends and customers appeared.

A count this morning revealed the fact that approximately 147 advertisers were represented in The Daily on that date, exclusive of the advertisers in the classified columns, but including the Shop-O-Scope.

The local business interests, almost without exception, took advantage of the opportunity to extend, through the press, their season's greetings and well wishes to the public for a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.



WALLACE WADE



# Daily News Letter

Comp. of Staff Correspondents  
at World Centers of Population

into the "legal and Constitutional" phases of the committee's proposed legislation.

Only silence comes from Angus W. McLean, North Carolina's very Scotch governor, regarding the linking of his name as Democratic candidate for President in 1928 by several of the South's outstanding Democratic journals and newspapers. Several newspapers also have linked the Governor's name as a running mate of Gov. Al Smith, of New York. But the Governor won't talk.

A broadside against "one of the last relics of the Age of Chivalry" has been launched at Charlotte by Dr. W. A. McPhaul, city-county health officer.

Dr. McPhaul declared that the custom of removing one's hat in an elevator when a woman steps on, besides being a "ridiculous habit" was "an instrument for spreading scalp diseases," and should be done away with.

"It's all foolishness," the physician declared. "Why wouldn't it be just as impolite for a man not to remove his headgear on a street car, railway train or department store?"

"These," remarked Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador, as he tasted a Roanoke Island fig, "are fit for the Queen."

"So they are," Alpheus W. Drinkwater, Roanoke Island's weather man, agreed with him, "and Her Majesty shall have some."

Drinkwater dived into Mrs. Drinkwater's pantry—without, of course, her knowledge—and selected a choice case of the Island's famous preserved figs.

So it was that Sir Esme, who was attending the Virginia Dare celebration here last August 18, delivered Roanoke Island's figs to Her Majesty Queen Mary of England.

And now Drinkwater has received a letter, dated from the British Embassy at Washington, thanking him for the figs, the pride of the isolated little Carolina island. Mrs. Drinkwater has forgiven her husband for "swiping" the figs.

Let the Daily figure with you on your job printing. All jobs neatly and quickly done at reasonable prices. Satisfaction guaranteed.

## Holds House Against Troopers for Thirty Hours



Timothy Meeneey (right), aided by two brothers and a sister, Beatrice Meeneey, held thirty State troopers at bay for thirty hours from his house, shown above, near Jutland, N. J. He surrendered when his sister was shot and killed and he had been gassed with tear bombs. Meeneey was wanted for interfering with S. P. C. A. inspectors.

## LUTHERANS ENJOY WEEK OF SERVICE

### Large Crowds Gather Despite Prevailing Poor Weather

The brilliant services at the Lutheran church, commemorating the nativity of the Christ, came to a close with the communion and adoration service yesterday morning. Despite the raging elements large congregations and many visitors were present at all services.

Christmas Day was ushered in with a delightful Children's Vespers on Friday evening, reached its climax in the beautiful Matins at 6:30 Christmas morning, and the Sunday service proved a fitting close to the exceptional calendar of services.

The classic Lutheran liturgies and the Carols of the fourteenth centuries were the basis of the children's vespers, while the opening feature of the Matins was the singing of the popular Christmas carols by the quartet.

Sunday afternoon was given over to the spreading of Christmas cheer. The quartet was heard and enjoyed by the patients at the Benevolent hospital, Billy and Andrew Ellner brought the Christmas message to a shut-in with song, and the members made use of the second holiday by bringing cheer where it was needed. Very elaborate folders were used in the services.

## More Cigars, More Smokes In Season

There is a glad some feeling in receiving gifts after Christmas, but the Crescent Amusement Company and Edward R. Whitton used that expert finesse in presenting cigars and cigarettes to the Daily force. Smokes in season are appreciated by the newspaper force.

**JOHN WHITE & CO.**  
LOUISVILLE, KY.  
Established in 1887  
Liberal assortment and Full Value paid for  
**Raw Furs**

## Library Corner

We wish to express a tardy "Thank You" to all who helped us in the "mile of pennies drive" especially Mrs. Charles Malone, for much of our success was due to her thoughtful plans and work, and to Mr. Greenhill for his timely suggestions.

We appreciate the direction and leadership of Miss Pope and Mr. Hagerman in the drive in town and thank the boys and girls who were so willing to help.

Owing to so many demands upon every one at that time, we were unable to see all who wished a share or two or more in our enterprise, so we have decided to keep "our Market" open and shares may be bought at any time. Owing to the small amount of capital required to buy each share and the enormous profits accruing, we are confident that many more shares will be purchased.

We are receiving funds at any time convenient to our patrons, one day postage stamps come in for a share, another time 16 pennies carefully wrapped in many papers were sent by parcel post. The same day a friend who is always interested in our corner was visited. She is ill and had amused herself saving the pennies that collected in her purse for us. A friend who was with her said, "I have a share too," and it happened that one of the graduates turned in a share that same day. Week before last a man took five dollars worth of stock, another two dollars. Last week we received one dollar with two or more promises that are good. The largest individual amount is ten dollars, sixty-two and a half shares.

The Senior class has invested heavily and we shall have two very useful books by which to remember them, a friend is adding three dollars, or eighteen shares per month, purchasing "The Lincoln Library" for us.

The result of the drive in money received to December 9th, is \$316.16. An excellent beginning! We certainly thank our good friends of the Albany-Decatur Daily for their assistance and trust that the year 1927 may be prosperous for them.

Amelia Troy, "Corner Custodian"

## Alabama Miners Forced From Pit By Rising Waters

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there and is expected to run over \$100,000.

Families marooned near Columbus, Miss., were aided by relief crews and motor launches and unconfirmed reports were that several had drowned.

West Point, Goodman and several other Mississippi towns reported heavy damage from floods.

## Somerville News

Miss Alice Oden of Gandies Cove is home for the holidays.

R. C. Miller was in Hartselle Thursday on business.

Roy Martin of Birmingham, is expected on Friday to be the week-end guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Martin.

Messrs. Miles Martin, Homer Dodson and Pervin Isley were in Hartselle Wednesday.

Miss Novel Miller is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Miller.

Misses Willie Mann, Nelle Lawhorn and Letha Sharp left Wednesday for their respective homes to spend the holidays.

Miss Etoile and Otto Gilchrist were in Albany Wednesday shopping.

Jas Esslinger is the expected guest of friends this week-end.

Ivan Bailey of Hartselle, was in town Wednesday.

## WESTSIDE CHURCH TO PRESENT SONG

### Cantata Is Set For Tuesday Evening at Seven o'clock

Westside Presbyterian church will be the scene of rendition of a beautiful Christmas cantata Tuesday evening at seven o'clock, it was announced today by church leaders. "Crowning Christmas" is the selection to be presented.

The following program will be rendered:  
Piano Solo—Mrs. Pearce.  
Christmas Story—Blanche Clure.  
Prayer Song—Virginia and Elizabeth Samuels.

**Cantata**  
Crowning Christmas, presented by the Sunday school committee:

Irene Gray, chairman Herman Lambert, Lois Gray.

Chorus—Come Holiday—All.

Page announces New Year, East-

er and four seasons.

New Year—Evelyn Friend.

Winter—Mary Jane Grant.

Spring—Tyne Strickland.

Summer—Sadie Hansell.

Autumn—Eva Bell Lentz.

Page announces.

Valentine Day—Laura Paul.

Page announces.

Washington Birthday—Aaron Montgomery.

Chorus—America.

Page announces.

Childrens Day and attendants:

Wilma Jane Patterson, Jewell McCain, Mozelle Couch.

Chorus—Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us.

Page announces.

Independence Day and attendants:

Edgar Hansell, William Busch, Robert Cross, Newell Cross.

Chorus—Three Cheers for the red, white and blue.

Page announces.

Thanksgiving Day and attendants:

Mary Hansell, Gladys Hansell.

Solo—Aaron Montgomery.

Page announces.

Christmas Day, enter Santa Claus.

Song—Primary Department—

"We are little tiny tots."

Chairman announces the crowning of Christmas.

Crown bearer—Edward Trapley.

Chorus—Bring the Crown.

Santa Claus speaks.

Song—Santa a Jolly old fellow.

Song—"Joy to the World."

## Coolidge Hears Farmers' Lament From Congress And Party Chiefs

By MAURITZ A. HALLGREN  
International News Service Staff Correspondent

WASHINGTON.—Farm relief matters lead all other subjects being discussed with President Coolidge by Congressmen and party leaders, a week's analysis of White House calls has disclosed. New information as to the Middle Western farmer's increasing difficulties is brought to the Chief Executive's attention almost daily.

Many of the callers are of the opinion that the agricultural situation should not be viewed with undue pessimism, while other contend that the farm industry never before has been so close to actual bankruptcy as far as the majority of individual farmers is concerned. On one point, however, virtually all are in agreement—that the Government must intervene in some official manner if the farm industry's future is to be placed on a permanently sound economic basis.

No New Suggestions.—These visitors, it is known, so far have failed to offer the White House any new suggestions as to the form Government aid should take. Further, they report that the farmers themselves are still hopelessly divided as to an adequate and practical relief program. The farmers, it is said, are by no means united behind the McNary-Haugen, the Haugen or any of the other proposals now before Congress.

But the clamor for farm relief continues to swell in volume. This does not mean, the Middle Westerners assert, that a farm revolt is imminent or that the food producers are up in arms against the Administration. Nor is it seriously believed that former Governor Lowden of Illinois or any other farm leader plans to lead the embattled agrarians against the Coolidge Republicans in a struggle for party control in order that the agriculturists might be more ably represented in Washington.

In the view of a prominent Illinois Republican, who discussed the situation in his State with the President, the farmers, realizing the desperation of their situation if they continue leaderless, unorganized and without a definite scheme of relief, are casting about for some one to show them the way out of the wilderness. The man of the hour, the man who appears to be more competent and better informed for the task than any other man, the caller said, happens to be Lowden; his recently in-

creased popularity in the rural districts has not other apparent significance.

Frozen Credits.—The danger contained in "frozen credits" is also being stressed by White House callers, some of whom fear that if steps are not immediately taken to alleviate this particular phase of depression the wave of bank suspensions for the present confined to Iowa, may spread throughout the grain belts.

But while the Middle West is calling for relief, President Coolidge anything but cold to their pleas. He has suggested that he is entirely in sympathy with their pleas, but before he can approve any plan for relief he must be convinced that the plan is economically sound, that it has the support of a majority of the farmers and that it will not mean an extension of bureaucracy within the government. He would prefer that the farmers offer a relief plan of their own, feeling that they would work harder for success under their own system than they would under a "made-in-Washington" program. Little has been said at the White House about assistance for the cotton growers, although their plight is said to be as serious as that of the grain farmers.

## SCUFFLE OVER GUN CAUSE OF DEATH

### Child Is Killed When Shell Explodes In Father's Hands

JASPER, Ala., Dec. 27.—(AP)—A father, scuffling over a loaded shotgun with his brother-in-law yesterday was responsible for the death of his four-old-daughter, Erinell Sanderson at Cardova, Ala.

The child died shortly after arrival at a hospital here. The father, J. C. Sanderson, member of a prominent family, this section, said he and brother-in-law had been playing with the gun sometime and the child went off just as the child appeared in the door of their room. The entire load of buckshot entered the child's brain. Coroner Legg, who investigated pronounced death accidental. The child is survived by her parents. Funeral services were to be held at 2:30 p. m. today from St. Carmel church, it was announced.

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of head or throat is usually benefited by the vapors of  
**VICKS**  
VAPORUE  
Over 21 Million Jars Used Yearly

If You Haven't Money to Burn  
Phone Us For

**COAL**

ACTON—BLOCTON—JELICO

Albany Grain & Coal Co.

Phone Albany 122

## WANTED

Man of 12 years general business experience in both office and sales, desires permanent connection with Albany-Decatur firm. Well known here, sober, honest and reliable. Would consider investment in business. Interview on your proposition will be appreciated.

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## Is Your Printing Working FOR OR against you?

Your business reputation is made up entirely of impressions—what others think of you—and largely of FIRST impressions. First impressions lodge deeply; they're hard to change.

Many first impressions are formed by the printed material you use—your letterheads, envelopes, statements, direct mail advertising, etc. Good impressions if the printing is well done. Otherwise bad impressions.

Don't spend money to injure your own business. Insist on printing that builds good will. It is better to foot the bill for good-will-building printing than to foot the bill for stagnant business.

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TODAY  
12 Years AgoFrom The Daily of  
December 27, 1914.

December 27, 1914, falling on Sunday, there was no issue of the Daily of that date.

High prices for turkeys should prove another lesson to Morgan county farmers, you can't sell cotton that way, the demand is not in sight.

It's pretty certain that you will get an even break with the world so long as you determine to give the world a like share.

There are two ways to get rid of your income tax this year, one is in the payment of the tax, so is the other.

At any rate Saturday and Sunday should offer recuperative powers, cheer up, the rush comes but once a year anyway.

Can't blame people for attempting to break in to stores at this time, Christmas shopping you know.

Telling you what good a consolidated city will be is like telling you that eight hours sleep will do you good every night, it's just natural.

Santa Claus should have passed John D. and Henry Ford some few days ago in point of wealth.

If you can't get it at home ask the home merchant to order it for you, buying away from home is civic suicide.

There is still time to make that business show a gain over last year, do some real work in the remaining days of the old year.

Stand by your honest convictions, but that does not necessarily mean that everyone else is wrong.

If the consideration shown others during the Christmas season could last through the whole year there would be less divorce proceedings.

Raincoats may or may not be an acceptable gift, yet no one possibly would have shunned a yellor slicker this Christmas season with the elements behaving like an anti-prohibitionist.

By the way, "Cotton Tom" Heflin didn't get over so well in his last verbal onslaught, did he? Speeches of that sort always seem to have the boomerang effect.

Hope Mussolini received an armored shirt for his Christmas gift, if he didn't it's very likely he won't watch Santa Claus come down the chimney next year.

There may be nothing stationary but the multiplication table, but how about the old car when it gets stalled in the middle of a risen creek?

Make up your mind that if you are called upon to serve during the coming year that you will give freely of your service, willingly and that you will do your share in every civic proposal that means good for your cities.

Three hundred and sixty-five days of the coming year make it your business to talk the good points of Albany-Decatur, you won't get tired and neither will the people who are looking for good investments and good places to live.

High waters will recede and work will begin anew on the highway bridge, with the completion of that bridge two counties, Morgan and Limestone, may link hands in accepting the advantages of this wonderful section.

Talk to the man from the outside if you wish to know that Albany-Decatur is recognized as a potential power in the industrial world. The outside world is not fooled on this location. Help substantiate the foundation by using a cement of good will. Talk the good points, let the idle ones see the bad.

The long winter nights coming now should offer every man some plan to help in the building of a great city here. Put on your thinking cap when you don the bedroom slippers and sink into an easy chair at the fireside, you may have the very thought that will produce things for Albany-Decatur.

Roger Babson has just completed an article on an interesting subject to the merchant. Mr. Babson requests that the New Year's resolution contain one salient feature, asking that people pay their bills on the first of the year and continue the practice throughout the coming year. His suggestion is not amiss, such a suggestion from anyone would not be amiss, but from Mr. Babson who realizes the importance of the stability of credit there is importance attached. Every man should guard his line of personal credit with the same care used in conducting a business. Pay your bills promptly, it will enable your home merchant to take care of his obligations and in turn take away many of his business worries, allowing him to offer greater service to your cities through means of civic service.

IF THE GOOD WORK COULD GO ON  
THE YEAR ROUND.

Every year as we near the anniversary of the birth of our Saviour we begin thinking how in the world we may help some fellow being who has enjoyed the hardest luck imaginable to man, that of lacking the necessary money to purchase food and clothing. Say what you will of hard luck stories, about all the bums you have had in this life, the many things you thought would part out successfully, but didn't, yet you haven't been up against anything unless you have felt the need for tightening the belt, the chill of the cold as it penetrates the thin outer covering.

Christmas good will leaves the best feeling imaginable, but that feeling is extinguished with the ease as a fire is put out, it doesn't last later than the first of the year. The next day we get back to work, plug away through one day and we have forgotten that there is such an institution as Christmas.

There are societies established in Albany-Decatur to look after the poor, the men and the lowly, but these societies can go only so far with their funds. Their work is augmented momentarily at the Yule season, the remainder of the year there are a few individual cases of giving, but the bulk of us forget that there is a fellow around the corner who would think more of a square meal than we would think of a hand-some new home. In other words what is our duty one day in the year is forgotten in the other three hundred and sixty-four. We are not to be strenuously criticised for the failing for it is just as natural to one as to the other, naturally when we are getting along pretty well in the ways of the world we do not stop to think of the man who has not had the same luck, nor possessed of God-given talents to make money with which to buy food and clothing. We forget so easily when the shoe is pinching another's foot. All the lectures, editorials, sermons and stories of the lack of humanity in humans would not improve the condition in the least, perhaps we would not stop long enough to read or to hear, but that does not mean that we can't indulge in some idealistic pictures, temporarily.

Suppose we did this same excellent and philanthropic work throughout the year, good will would be increased one hundred fold, we would nurture a spirit of consideration in our own hearts which we did not know lived there, we would see how the other half of the world lives and strive to help that half improve. There would hardly be class distinction unless in a matter of education and even the education would take us to the realms beyond snobbishness, here in the South we would even forget that it is a sin for one to work with his or her hands for an honest living. We admit that now, but a few old aristocratic ideas which have done naught but to halt the progress of this Southland, remain in the fore of our thoughts and we refuse consideration through a sense of false pride, though inwardly we would like a great deal to play our part for the sake of general good will and happiness. If the spirit prevailing at Christmas time could be made to live the year through this indeed would be the finest nation on the face of the earth, but that feeling will not live for we do not intend to have it live, we are human and busy, busy making the best of opportunities, seeing to it that self preservation is still the first law of Nature. It is deplorable, but it is natural.

THE EXTRA SESSION AND THE  
PROPOSED BOND ISSUE.

December 28, tomorrow, finds the legislature going into special session at Montgomery, legislators will plan to some certain extent the road future of the state of Alabama for the next four years. The legislature has been called at the request of Governor-Elect Bibb Graves, that gentleman preferring to gain some action just so soon as feasible.

The legislature goes into session with but a single object in view, either the people will be asked to vote on a bond issue of approximately \$25,000,000 proportion, else the people will be asked to remain silent. Legislators have felt the pulse of the people before going to Montgomery and it is probable that minds are already made up.

Recent rains, floods, stories of roads being closed to traffic should offer sufficient proof to the legislature that the people of Alabama want good roads and that they are willing to pay for those roads, provided immediate relief is offered. People do not care to wait around on the outside of the political show, waiting for their money to be spent after they have already paid all the charges.

Submission of the \$25,000,000 good roads bond issue to the people of Alabama will meet with success.

Watch that prediction and you will find the truth of it after the people go to the polls. There was not a single Alabamian who cast a vote in the recent gubernatorial primary who did not favor good roads, various plans of course, but Alabama wanted good roads and she voted for men who put good roads in their respective platforms. Every candidate knew that before he placed his name on the list to be balloted upon, it was more a question of what proportion the bond issue would be rather than any question of judgment as to whether Alabama wanted good roads.

The people of this state learned years ago that commercial activity is choked just so soon as the roads are not amply provided, they have learned that inasmuch as the people are the users of roads that the people are expected to pay for the roads and this conviction is precisely the carrying point for the bond issue. If that plan is placed before the people of Alabama within a short while, with the promise that some action may be expected so soon as the money is placed in the hands of a highway department, then you may look for an overwhelming sentiment favoring the bond issue idea.

Alabama is badly in need of roads, that is almost a trite assertion having been made so often. During the recent rains some cities in this state were actually cut off, the people could not leave their cities by automobile, owing to the distressing condition of roads. Such fact forms a basis for the answer of the people of this state, they are tired of slopping around in the mud and regardless of the amount of money spent, so long as it is spent by competent hands, they are going to vote that such a sum be called for by the legislature.

Alabama will anxiously await news from legislative halls, feeling that those men are going to do the best for the state and offer a logical plan which will mean the building of roads in the state during the next year and the succeeding years of Governor-Elect Graves' term of office. Roads will prove a decisive factor in the progress of Alabama in the next four years. People realize that importance and will vote the burden upon themselves.

Only one thing lacking about this time of great joy, there was not a carol heard on the city streets. Some may think that caroling on Christmas Eve is "small-townish," but usually they are not among the musically inclined.

## WILL CONTINUE BEING VALUABLE

THOUGHT  
OF THE WEEK

By J. A. West

## SERVICE

In human affairs, some men flash meteoric like across the horizon of life and are lost in the oblivion of the onward march. Others by some super act, write their names high on the scroll of the famous. Still others are content to trod the beaten pathways of service, seeking out new avenues where they may serve those with whom they brush elbows; taking the thorns out of the path where tender feet must tread; scattering flowers along life's way; speaking approving, cheering words before ears are eternally sealed to their meaning giving flowers while they can cast a fragrance backward over a weary life, deeming this service, the little things of life taken in the aggregate, making the sum total of a successful and happy life, leading on to the beautiful halo abounding at its sunset. The poet has beautifully described a life of this character, and how applicable the words apply: "Let me live in a house by the side of the road,

Where the races of men go by,  
The men who are good, the men who are bad,

As good and as bad as I.  
I would not sit in the corner's seat,  
Or pass the cynic's ban,

Let me live in a house by the side  
Of the road,  
And be a friend to man."

Every hospital where the maimed and sick of life find refuge to be scientifically treated back to the health, and restored again to family and friends, is made possible because some one had time to take care of the little details, which in the aggregate make such an institution possible. We think lightly of the physician ministering in these health restoring places, never taking into account the nerve racking and delicate duties he is called upon every day and night to perform, and fail in many instances to give credit and praise as well for the successful and scientific manipulation he is called upon to undergo in the multitude of cases coming to him for treatment.

Every asylum for the poor, where the down and out of life can find a portal where they are welcome, is made possible because some one was thinking and took time and trouble to keep this claim most in mind until it became a reality.

These things represent service in its fullest term and while we celebrate the birth of one who served, it is well to stop and consider, and contemplate what a rough old world this would be, if there were none who kept these things on their heart, and were not content until they had explored every avenue of service presented, ministering to those in the way, bringing happiness and joy, and causing the star of hope to again shine for those who just now and then could only catch its faint glimmer.

'FORTY AND FIGHT'  
CHIEF RESIGNSSam Dowling Goes  
To Africa, Leaves  
His Suggestion

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 27. (AP)—The "Forty and Eight"

of Alabama has lost its head. This in the strictly literal sense of the phrase, as Sam M. Dowling of Ozark, "grand chef de gare" of the organization has gone to Africa, leaving his resignation behind him, together with a recommendation that G. Paul Rollin, local jeweler, and at present "grand chef de train," be placed in full charge. The resignation of the chief of the State's boxer club, named in loving memory of the diminutive French troop carriers, was sent from on board the S. S. Roosevelt, bound for England.

Mr. Dowling, connected with a large American rubber company, has been assigned to Monrovia, in

Liberia, the black republic of Africa. But like a true Legionnaire, he wrote that he planned to visit Paris first, going there by air route from London.

The resigned grand chef was elected at the last convention of the 40 and 8, held in Selma. In tendering his resignation Mr. Dowling expressed deep regret over the severance of relations with Legionnaire friends throughout the State, and re-asserted his intention of retaining membership in the 40 and 8 as long as he lives.

In recommending that Mr. Rollin assume the duties of head of the organization, the former chief states that the chef de train was fully familiar with the work and capable of looking after the affairs of the organization. "He cooperated with me and was of much help," he wrote. "Give him your cooperation and he will put the 40 and 8 on the map in Alabama."

No official action has been taken on the resignation yet, officials of the organization said.

The New Year will be just so good as the people of Albany-Decatur want it to be. Hard work will accomplish wonders.

USE COLD WATER IN  
JOINT TROUBLEDoctor for a Football Team Suggested a Simple  
Treatment to a Fellow Physician and  
It Worked Out Well.

By ROYAL S. COPELAND, M. D.

United States Senator from New York.  
Former Commissioner of Health, New York City.

NATURE planned wisely when the joints were made. When we take note of how cogwheels and pinions wear out, we should have increasing respect for the human machine. It goes along, year after year, and the joints continue flexible and useful.

In the course of a long life, however, it is not unusual to have a joint or two disturbed by accident, or disease. On this account we should know what to do when trouble appears.

There is a marked difference between acute trouble with a joint and some chronic, long-standing, difficulty. Most of the active, painful, acute joint disabilities, may be traced to injury.

Some time ago I was in a taxicab accident and hurt my knee. In consequence, there developed that disagreeable trouble called "water on the knee." Perhaps you would like to know what I did for it.

When a joint is injured, the first thing is to keep it quiet as possible. That is, an effort must be made to restrain the joint from its usual movements. To this end, it is customary to bandage the part, or, better still, to strap it with adhesive tape.

A fixed knee may be more or less "dressed" in position, by applying diagonally straps of adhesive. They run from below and to the outside of the knee, across it and to the inside of the leg above. This is followed by a strip from the inside, up and out.

As each strip of tape is placed a little higher than the preceding one, in a few moments, the joint is covered with interlacing bands of adhesive, each about an inch wide. In this manner the parts are held securely.

After the acute symptoms have disappeared, Nature will be glad to have a little help. Now is the time when the advice of a good doctor friend of mine is valuable.

This doctor used to be the doctor of a football team, an active team. You can imagine that lots of joints got hurt in this vigorous game.

I was told to spray my knee twice a day, ten minutes each session, with cold water. I attached a springing hose to the faucet in the bathtub and let the cold water run on my knee, adhesive and all, for ten minutes by the clock.

It chilled me so at first that if I had not had the clock to look at, two



DR. COPELAND.

## Answers to Health Queries

MRS. B. M. R. Q.—My hair is very dry and occasionally there are small pimples which are very annoying on the scalp. What do you advise?

A.—Your symptoms would seem to suggest a scalp condition called seborrhea capitis. For further particulars send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and repeat your question.

D. R. Q.—What would you suggest for extremely thin and brittle fingernails?

A.—Keep them fairly short and rub in a good cold cream at night before retiring. The condition of the general health has a bearing on the condition of the fingernails and also on the skin and hair.

## Today:

Dishonest Sport.  
Friction In Rome.  
The Gorilla Died.  
Lady And Teeth.

By ARTHUR BRISBANE. (Copyright, 1926, by The Star Co., For Albany-Decatur Daily).

In offering Mr. Brisbane's daily editorials The Daily does not necessarily concur with his opinions, but offers them as the sentiments of the highest paid editorial writer in this country.

THE latest baseball scandal will surprise nobody who knows what professional sports does to players and the public.

Whether it be horse racing, baseball or prize fighting, professional sports leads to dishonesty.

And besides cheating the public, it injures public health by persuading thousands to waste their time watching a game instead of by playing it.

PROFESSIONAL horse racing manufactures thieves and ruins tens of thousands of young people by making gamblers of them.

Prize fighting gathers together criminals of every description and distributes the vilest of diseases.

Professional baseball is comparatively harmless. But betting goes with it and where gambling and professionalism are combined dishonestly is inevitable.

EXISTING friction between the Vatican and the Italian government may have historical importance.

Pope Pius' criticism of religious policies in Mussolini's government is called by the latter "Strange, surprising and uncalled for."

SINCE the Pope's allocation of which Fascism complains, there has been displayed great ill feeling, exceeding in seriousness the incidents of violence against Catholic individuals and organizations of which the Pope complained.

Fascists pretend to find religious hostility back of the attacks on Mussolini's life, although there is no proof for such statement and reference is made to the assassination of Henry the Fourth by the fanatic Ravallac, formerly a Monk.

HISTORICALLY the incident is important because it appears to end for the time any hope of reconciliation between church and state in Italy.

DR. EDMUND HELLER, of Chicago, had an exciting fight with a gigantic gorilla on a volcanic slope in the Belgian Congo.

The huge beast, nearly 7 feet high, beat its breast to frighten the strange white faced creature, snarled, shrieked, and rushed. The native hunters ran away. Dr. Heller quieted the go-

rilla with bullets. WHEN a white man comes the biggest gorilla weighing six or seven hundred pounds, able to pull Jack Dempsey apart with thumbs and forefingers, has no chance.

The gorilla has spent the last five hundred thousand years relying on his muscles and his yells. The white man has been using his brain.

MILLIONS of young white men that have not been using their brains to any great extent might learn from that Congo gorilla why they have not been going ahead.

HELEN ADWSON gets a divorce because when she wanted her hair bobbed by a skillful artist, her husband said he could do it just as well, and bobbed it, accidentally cutting her ear. Her feelings, the lady said, hurt more than her ear.

DIFFERENT places, different manners. In Patagonia, when a savage marries a lady he braces her head against the back of a tree, and knocks out two front upper teeth, as a sign that she is his.

And the lady is proud of it. See Eli Reclus' "L'Homme et la Terre."

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE, kind hearted, suggested that it would be appropriate at Christmas time to raise salaries of Washington correspondents. Later he asked all correspondents, whose salaries had since been raised, to stand up. Nobody did.

CHARLES A. DANA used to wonder that no Washington correspondent stood out above the rest because of powerful and just criticism, or brilliance in news beats, like, for instance, De Bliowitz of the London Times.

Washington is the hardest newspaper job on earth. Everybody tells the correspondents everything, pledging them to secrecy.

CONGRESS goes home for Christmas dinner and rest, after having made some headway.

The Republican machine is working well, with its narrow margin.

If it connects the Great Lakes with the Gulf through the Mississippi and with the Atlantic Ocean via the St. Lawrence and in addition harnesses the power of the Colorado river, it will do more real work than any administration since Lincoln's day. And there is sound hope that it will accomplish these things.

## The Views of Others

MOTORING FATALITIES  
CONTINUE TO INCREASE;  
NEARLY 20,000 IN 1925

Authentic figures on automobile fatalities in the year 1925 are just now being announced by the United States Department of Commerce. A statement giving data on accidental deaths charged to automobiles (excluding motorcycles) issued today by the department, says that in the registration area of the United States there were 17,571 accidental deaths in 1925 for which motor vehicles are held responsible, and that the death rate from this cause was 17 per 100,000 population, against 15.7 in 1924, 14.9 in 1923, 12.5 in 1922 and 11.5 in 1921.

It will thus be seen that the number of fatalities has been steadily increasing each year. The number of fatalities last year would be greater if they included those resulting from collisions of automobiles with electric street cars, which caused 498 deaths, and those due to collisions of automobiles with trains, which caused 1,266 deaths. The grand total, with these added, would be 19,335, and the rate would be raised from 17 to 18.3 per 100,000 population.

The statement of the department says: "As in 1925 the registration area included only 89.4 per cent of the total population of the United States, by assuming that the number of automobile fatalities reported in the registration area comprises 89.4 per cent of the number of fatalities in the entire United States, it has been estimated that the total number of fatalities in that year due to accidents in which automobiles were involved was approximately 21,627."

The question before the country is, and has been these past twenty years, what is to be done about this heavy loss of life that in many cases results from carelessness or recklessness? Thus far no remedy has been found. The number of accidents increases each year with the increase in the number of automobiles in use, and the number of fatalities increases with the gain in accidents.

Last year, with a grand total of 19,335 lives lost in motor vehicle accidents, the sacrifice amounted to as great a one as a country ordinarily would make in a great war, and this sacrifice now is made, not in behalf of home or country, but in many instances in behalf of pleasure, of a mistaken idea that haste was necessary or because someone failed to think or to act in time for safety.

In cities the number of accidents charged to automobiles can be reduced by the enforcing of strict traffic laws and regulations. In Anniston the traffic laws and traffic lights unquestionably have done much to prevent accidents on the business streets of this city and on the most used residential streets. Other cities have similar traffic regulations and where they are enforced and observed, as they are in Anniston, good always results.

But on country roads and much-used highways it is not possible to enforce traffic rules or to maintain safeguards against accidents at intersecting roads. Much depends upon the individual motorist on a country road, and the need for care therefore is much greater there than in the towns, because in the towns the driver is constantly reminded to be careful lest he violate the law, while in the country no such warning is given.

Too often people driving cars take it for granted that because the traffic on highways is not as it is in town, they can "step on it" and throw caution aside to get the thrill of some speeding. All may be well under such conditions providing one does not come to a dangerous curve or meet another car in a too narrow roadway. The only safe plan is to be as careful on a country road as on a city street.—Anniston Star.

## INFANT DIES

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Peck, of Albany route four, died December 24 at 12:10 a. m. The infant is survived by the parents. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. at Basham's chapel, with interment there, Priest directing.



# SOCIETY

MARGARET C. SHELTON—Phone Decatur 362

## CLUB CHRISTMAS DANCE.

The Valley Country Club members will participate in their annual Christmas holiday dance on Monday night in the ballroom of the club.

## TEA-DANCE ON CHRISTMAS EVE.

The younger dancing set enjoyed a tea-dance on Christmas afternoon at the home of one of their number, Miss Margaret Harrison, on Sherman street.

## THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB.

The Thursday Bridge Club will meet on Tuesday with Mrs. B. A. Turner at her home on Johnson street.

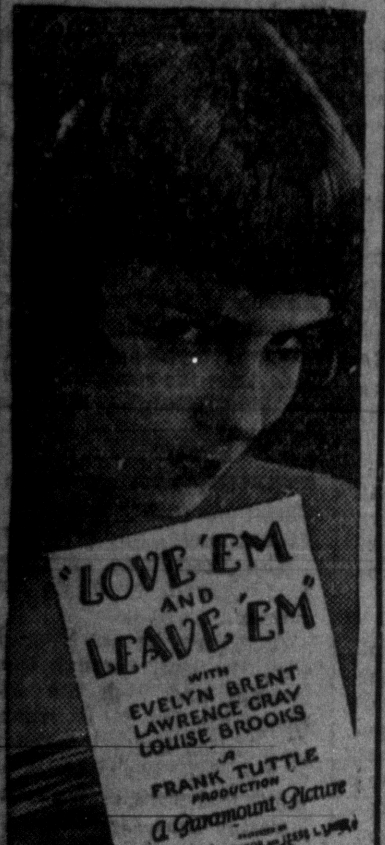
## OYSTER SUPPER.

Albany Odd Fellows, Lodge No. 159, will enjoy an oyster supper on Monday evening at their hall and at this time Rebekah Lodge No. 61 will serve them.

## PRINCESS TODAY and TUESDAY

Boys, Do You "Love 'em and Leave 'em?"

Be sure and make your arrangements to see it, one of the two days being shown, either today or tomorrow.



Girls, What Do You Think of Fellows Who "Love 'em and Leave 'em?"

Should Love Be Used Only As a Toy?

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## DECATUR FACULTY ENTERTAINED.

The faculty of the Decatur schools were guests of Professor W. W. Benson at a matinee party on Thursday afternoon at the Princess theater. They saw the noted production, "Ben-Hur."

## TUESDAY WHIST CLUB.

There will be no meeting of the Tuesday Whist Club this week, but Miss Mary Jervis will be hostess to the club members on Tuesday, January 4.

## PERSONALS

Carl Handley left this afternoon for Chattanooga, Tenn., for a short visit.

T. D. Wilkinson was the Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Russell. Mr. Wilkinson is now located in Birmingham.

Harris Broadus and Barret Shelton will motor to Florence on Monday afternoon to attend a tea-dance.

Gus Ashcraft, of Atlanta, Ga., spent Sunday as a guest in the home of Mrs. S. S. Broadus.

Clyde Hendrix, Jr., will leave Monday to attend the Pi Kappa Alpha convention in Atlanta, Ga.

W. R. Nelson returned Sunday from Clarksville, Tenn., where he spent Christmas. Mrs. Nelson and three children will remain for a week's visit.

Mrs. John Cochran and Mrs. Jones of Montgomery and Miss Glaze of Athens were the Christmas sand over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Jones, Jr.

Rube Robinson and Bob Chase, Jr., of Huntsville, were among the out-of-town guests here to attend the Christmas dance.

Gene Gray of Florida is spending the holidays with his parents here.

Miss Myrtle Graves left Sunday night for a visit to friends in Montgomery and other points in south Alabama.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Steele, former residents of Twin Cities when Mr. Steele was connected with the Tennessee Valley Bank, were guests of friends in Decatur over Sunday.

Mrs. W. R. Shelton, who left Friday to spend Christmas with her sister and brother, Dr. and Mrs. W. K. Shedd, will remain there for a week's visit.

P. J. Smith and J. C. Brownlee of Birmingham were here Friday en route from Florence to Birmingham where they spent Christmas.

Miss Frances Beason of West Palm Beach, Fla., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Beason.

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## Holiday Wonders

By Fanny Darrell



NOW that the excitement over the tree and the presents has subsided, the children clamor for the story of which they never tire. And the mother, her dear chicks gathered closely about her, relates to them again the wonders of the Christmas season.

The clearness of the starry night, the stillness of the house and the lights and shadows cast by the candles, weave a magic spell over the story-

teller and her listeners. The picture is so vivid in their imaginative young minds that they actually hear the echo of tinkling bells and there, in his sleigh drawn by reindeer, they see jolly old Saint Nicholas, the friend of all children. Breathless and bright-eyed, they wonder how dear old Santa Claus knew what to put into their stockings. What will he bring them next Christmas?

son, through the holidays.

The many friends here of Miss Helen Russell, who for the past year has been living in Florida, will be interested to know that she is spending several months visiting in New York city.

Arthur Nesbit returned Sunday night to his home in Nashville after being the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Nesbit.

Lewie Hardage, backfield coach of Vanderbilt university, is the guest of friends here for the holidays.

J. M. Byars left Christmas Day for Pasadena, Cal., to witness the Alabama-Stanford football game there on New Year's Day.

Otis Jeffries, student of Branham and Hughes, is at home for the holidays with his mother, Mrs. Sarah Jeffries.

Mrs. Margaret Greene of New Orleans, returned to her home on Sunday night after being the holiday guest of her mother, Mrs. Maud Barry.

H. E. Dryden, Jr., of Nashville, is spending a week with his family here.

A number of local people are planning to attend the Christmas dance in Huntsville on Monday night.

R. C. Workman of Birmingham, who spent the Yuletide with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Lide, returned home on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Young of Chattanooga were the holiday guests of relatives here.

Harry Glass of Birmingham spent Christmas here with relatives.

Eugene and Marion Russell are spending the holidays here with

relatives.

P. J. Brown, traveling salesman, is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Brown, for the holidays.

Mrs. R. C. Workman will return to her home in Birmingham on Monday night after spending the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Lide.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gray returned home on Sunday night from Athens, where they spent the holidays with relatives.

Miss Nell Birdsong of Pulaski, Tenn., arrived Sunday to be the house guest of Miss Ellen Edwards.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Watson, of Knoxville, Tenn., arrived Friday night to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ike Schoer.

Roy Buchanan, of Huntsville, arrived Friday night to spend the week-end with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Buchanan.

Miss Eliza Cantebury, of Huntsville, spent the past week-end with Miss Jeanne Buchanan.

Mrs. Henry McBride is ill at the Benevolent hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Knight have returned from a visit to Chattanooga.

Ben Miller spent Christmas with his mother and sister in Troy, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Workman, of Birmingham, arrived Friday to be the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lide.

Misses Floy and Lottie Spite, of Pleasant Grove, Tenn., are spending the holidays with Mrs. C. R. Godwin.

Thomas McDonald, of Nashville, spent the past week-end with his mother, Mrs. C. R. Godwin.

Miss Helen Kellar, of Cullman, is the expected guest of Miss Orlean Morrison for the holidays.

Abbie D. Counts, of Birmingham arrived Thursday to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Counts.

Will Hubbard, of Little Rock, Ark., is visiting friends here for the holidays.

Harris Broadus arrived Thursday to be the holiday guest of his mother, Mrs. S. S. Broadus.

Mr. and Mrs. William Houston, of Birmingham, are the Christmas guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Houston.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean McElroy, of Ada, Ohio, arrived Monday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. O'Bryant.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. O'Bryant, Jr., are spending the holidays with Mrs. O'Bryant's mother and father in Ada, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. VanArsdale left Thursday for Louisville, Ky., where they will be the Yuletide guests of her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. George Young are spending the holidays in Madisonville, Ky., and other points in that state with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Calvin and children spent Christmas with Mr. Calvin's mother in Athens, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. J. White and sons were called Friday morning to Huntsville to the bedside of his mother, who is critically ill.

Misses Louise and Claribelle Turner are visiting relatives in

## Many Make Honor Rolls For Month of December In Albany, Reports Show

An unusually large number of students made the honor rolls in Albany school system for the month, it was revealed today in the regular report.

The following report was made public:

### Honor Roll

Ward I.  
Jr. I—Willodeane Abel, Elizabeth Gantt, Gertrude Lamon, Lynka Bess Owens, Wilma Ruth Pettie, Marjorie Phillips.  
Sr. I—Vivian Berry, Ray Edwards, Waller Joe Parr, Rosella Toone.  
Jr. II—Wilson Grant, Lucile McNeil, Hnon Pearce, Lavern Phillips, Robert Powers.

Sr. II—Marguerite Bass, Roy Fite, Jr., Sarah Forbes, Charline Hansel, June Harris, Opal Holland, Sterling Smith, Annette Willeford.  
Jr. III—Cread Pettie, Harold Pruitt, Robert Wilson.  
Sr. III—Bernice Carden, Jewel Edwards, Christine Gillentine, Dorice Roberts, Kenneth Sneed.  
Jr. IV—Lallie Mae Sewell.  
Sr. IV—Edith Doss, Mary Emma George, Gordon Pearce, Elizabeth Samuel, Evelyn Thompson, Harold Vaughn.

### Ward II.

Jr. I—Rosebud Beasley, Margaret Bloodworth, Floyd Bryant, Vanren Denton, Clifton Green, Freddie Langley, Frank Liles, Ruth Long, Vandalea Millis, R. V. Murphree, Ruby Prosser, Dorothy Sandusky, James Simpson, June Spanable.

Sr. I—Edna Elizabeth Adcock, Agnes Dobbs, Eugenia Little.  
Jr. II—Mary Nell Berry, Louise Berryhill, Jewell Bradshaw, Jobe Denton, Viola Fuller, Waltern Green, Lovina Russell.  
Sr. II—Howard Thompson, Ruth Sullivan.

Jr. III—Fannie Aday, Edward Best, Frances Hargitt, Ruth Wells.  
Sr. III—Florence Lee, Roy Lee.  
Jr. IV—Lillian Burk, Faye Hargitt, Roxie Sanders, Wallace Tankersley, Windall Terry.  
Sr. IV—Ora Lee Cason, Mary Katherine Penland, Tom Delmore.

### Ward III.

Jr. I—Letha Dutton, Imogene Halbrooks, Doris Moore, Ruthie Newton.

Sr. I—Louis Mann.  
Jr. II—Marie Dudley, Ruby Nance.  
Sr. II—Virgil Bishop, Lester Rogers.  
Jr. III—Ben Collier, Frances

Athens through the holiday season.

Miss Lottie McCullough arrived Saturday to visit Miss Ellen Edwards for a few days.

Misses Orlean and Lucene Morrison are spending today in Cullman with relatives.

Eugene Morrison is very sick with a gripe at the home of his parents.

Charles McKelvey of Memphis, Tenn., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Robertson.

George Morrison is in Mt. Hope having been called there by the critical illness of his sister.

Oscar Morrow, who left about ten days ago to accept a position with the Stevenson Brick Company in Birmingham, was the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Morrow, and returned to Birmingham on Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest L. Morrow and baby spent the Christmas week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sharpley, in Hartselle.

Miss Yetta Mae Gray of Moulton is visiting the Misses Morrison through the holidays.

J. M. Todd of Atlanta, Ga., is the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Todd.

Mr. and Mrs. Arwin Draper returned Sunday night from Hartselle, where they were the Christmas guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Puckett.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Bailey and family spent the Yuletide with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Bibb, in Belle Mina.

### HALL-HILL

A marriage of much interest to their many friends is that of Miss Annie Lee Hall and Mr. Herbert Dale Hill, which was quietly solemnized in the presence of a few friends at the Central Baptist church in Albany, Ala., Dec. 24, 1926 at 10:30 a.m.

The bride is the accomplished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Hall of Delrose, Tenn. She is a graduate of Tennessee College in Murfreesboro, has done graduate work at Peabody College and at the University of Colorado. For the past few years she has been prominently connected with the Messick School in Shelby county, Tennessee.

Mr. Hill is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hill of Baugh, Tenn., and is a very progressive farmer in that part of Lincoln county.

After an extended southern trip, Mr. and Mrs. Hill will be at home to their friends after Jan. 1st at Baugh, Tenn.

Pearson, Martha Zanvit, Gordon

Jr. I—Margaret Dunnaway, Geraldine Farrer, Margaret Higdon, Thomas Higdon, Reba Johnson, Earl McBride, Ruth Nelson, Martha Frances Pettie, Annette Reams, Marion Ann Schimmel, Billy Tucker.

Sr. I—Billie Burch, Bernice Cobbs, Virginia Dinamore, Charlie Eyster, Jr., Sarah Lou Greenhill, Dorothy Morrow, Jean Schulman.  
Jr. II—Guy Blackwell, Charles Boley, Mildred Hanigan, Eliza Higdon, Cecil Hughes, Conrad Motes, Edward Sivley, Marjorie Woodruff.

Sr. II—Laven Brindley, Nancy Laubenthal, Christine Poff, Estelle Russell.

Jr. III—Mary Evelyn Bates, Mary Lucile Brown, Lucile Chenaunt, Lorene Cobbs, Edward Jervis Davies, Russell Johnson, Frances Leopard, Madelyn McKnight, Lacy Montgomery, Paul Pettie, Charlie Sears, Leon Smith.

Sr. III—Jane Davis, Elizabeth Ann Humphrey, Barbara Peck, Marjorie Phinizy, Eva Love Wyatt.  
Jr. IV—Helen Cline, Frances Anne Green, Jean Halbert, Vivian Hanigan, Richard Watkins.

Sr. IV—Louis Hoff, Laura Frances Hughes, Sarah Stroud.

Jr. V—Marvin Adams, Marjorie Aday, Elizabeth Berry, Sarah Buck, Elsie Chenaunt, Lullene Franklin, Rosa Haddock, Mabel Hanigan, Vera Hendon, Lucile Lamon, Allison Matthews, Ruby Mitchell, Maxine Murphree, Ruth McBride, Hildreth McCollough, Wayland McGlathery, Ruth McMillan, Mary Louise Otte, Margaret Patterson, Lois Powers, Ina Mae Powders, Jean Schafer, Beatrice Sivley, Eleanor Walker, George Wiegand.

Sr. V—Thelma Lee Mitchell.  
Jr. VI—Grace Barnard, Mable Lee Barr, Howard McCollough, Bessie Boyd Ross, Pansy Tankersley.

Sr. VI—Modell Davis, William Sullivan.

The holidays are over, now is the time to begin planning greater things for the Twin Cities during the ensuing year.

### For 50 Years

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The sure remedy for expelling worms.  
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Price 35c per bottle. Sold by  
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SPECIAL: See Miss Hopper in p. 2 at Temple Theatre, Birmingham, week of December 27. Matinee for Women only, 11 a. Wednesday.

## Notice!

FUNERAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION

On account of death of Mr. T. B. James, claim No. 86 is now due and must be paid on or before January 10, 1927.

E. H. FARRISH, Pres.  
H. M. PRIEST, Sec'y.

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## Advice to Girls

By Annie Laurie.

DEAR ANNIE LAURIE:

I am a girl in my teens and considered good-looking. But your books don't get you anywhere, unless you have lots of other things to go with them.

Annie Laurie, I am a very devoted person. My mother started out by not trusting me. I'd tell her the truth and she wouldn't believe me. If I told her a story, I usually got by. So eventually I saw no need for the truth.

She thinks me to go with a boy who is a distant relative of mine. She has threatened to send me to a reform school if I don't stop seeing him.

I have decided to run away from home with my best girl friend. She is unhappy at home, too. I simply can't continue living in a house with people who hate me. No one in this house ever gives me a kind word—not even my grandmother. My girl friend sympathizes with me and she has always been so good to me. Please advise us what to do.

JUST ME: Have you ever tried to have a frank, heart-to-heart talk with your mother? Do you think you could tell her of the things you have written me, and yet be tactful in the telling? Why don't you start the talk by telling her that the estrangement between you has worried you for some time, that you want to make a real friend of her?

I am sure if you approached her in the right way, she would be willing to come half way in your effort to reestablish a friendly basis of contact. For one thing, you must ask her to have confidence in you and your judgment. Tell her that her lack of confidence in the first place has led you to deceive her time and time again. Tell her that you are sorry now that you felt impelled to practice little deceptions and that if she will only trust you and have complete faith in you, you would be glad to come to her and talk over all the problems that might arise.

You probably think I am suggesting an extremely bold measure, asking you to confess to your mother that you have told her untruths, but it isn't nearly as impossible as it sounds. Probably, heretofore, you have simply lost your temper and said all sorts of bitter things to your mother. Then she has lost her temper and threatened you with reform school. Don't you see that, if she realized that you were trying to reason things out for yourself, she would probably be ready to help you? She has probably thought you wild and thoughtless and unmanageable. Prove to her that you are none of these things.

There is nothing to be gained by running away from home. You will find the world a harder taskmaster than your mother. At least now you have the security of a roof over your head. And you are certain of three meals a day. I assure you, there would be many a time when you couldn't be sure of either, if you attempted to go away and support yourself.

I can see that you have intelligence. Use it to effect some sort of compromise in your home.



## TILLIE- THE TOILER

## A QUICK CHANGE OF MIND

By RUSS WESTOVER



## Rates for Daily Classified Ads

|                           |         |
|---------------------------|---------|
| 25 words or less, 1 time  | \$ .25  |
| 25 words or less, 3 times | \$ .50  |
| 25 words or less, 6 times | \$ 1.00 |

Each word over 25: 1 time, 1c; 3 times, 2c; 6 times, 4c. A collection charge of 5c per ad is made when phoned in.

CLOSING TIME, 10:30 A. M.

Classified advertisements received after 10:30 a. m. will not be published until the next day.

TRY A 3 OR 6-TIME AD

It costs proportionately less and produces more.

TELEPHONE YOUR WANTS TO  
ALBANY 46

Carrier subscribers residing in Albany or Decatur may now phone their want ads to The Daily office and carrier boy will collect. A collection fee of 5 cents per want ad is charged when phoned in.



TO LOAN—\$4,000 personal money at 8% on improved business property at 40% of its present value. Also small amounts of \$200 up to pay taxes and obligations. See Thornhill.

STOLEN—Gray horse mule, weighs about 1000 lbs., about 10 years old. Wire cut, on right front leg. \$10.00 reward for return to or notify Sheriff, Decatur, or Chief of Police, Hartsville.

## WANTED

WANTED—Cordwood. Alabama Brick & Tile Co. N24-tfc

## For Rent

FOR RENT—With repair for good tenant my residence on Gordon Drive, No. 564, installing heaters for both apartments, renting the entire for \$5.00 per month. Mrs. Elizabeth Saunders. Apply to L. B. Wyatt & Son. 22-tf-c

## LOST OR FOUND

FOUND—Gold Knight Templar Charm. May be recovered by owner on identification at Nelson's Jewelry Store. 23-3t

LOST—Roll of bills, \$95 to \$100, Tuesday night in Albany or Decatur. Reward. Call Koss Construction Co. 24-3t

STRAYED OR STOLEN—Tuesday night, Dec. 21st, bay mare about nine years, weighs about 900 lbs., sparsely built; last seen near Mooresville, Ala. Finder return to or notify Hy Zeithler, Mooresville. 27-1t.

MORTGAGE LOANS—Unlimited funds to loan at low interest rates on improved Albany-Decatur property. Allison & Woods. 12-11-imo-c

## Miscellaneous

SEVERAL MEN TO DO SPECIAL work; salary \$35 per week up; age not barred, but willing workers wanted. Chance to make permanent connection with good pay. Give age in first letter, enclosing stamped envelope for reply. Address W. L. 108 Seymour St., New Britain, Conn. 12-8-4mo.

DON'T WALK—To town after a car; we deliver, no extra charge. Call Hill U-Drive-It Station. 24-3t

## STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the New Morgan County Building and Loan Association will be held at its office in Decatur, Ala., on January 1, 1927, at 7:30 p. m., for the election of a board of directors and the transacting of other business as may come before it.  
W. B. SHACKLEFORD, Secretary.  
Dec. 4, 1926.  
Adv 12-7-13-20-27.

## NOTICE APPOINTMENT ADMINISTRATOR

Ernest Hill, deceased, estate of Probate Court Morgan County. Letters of administration upon the estate of said decedent having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of November, 1926, by the Honorable L. P. Troup, Judge of the Probate Court of Morgan county, notice is hereby given that all persons having in the time allowed by law or that the same will be barred.

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## County Notes

Quentin Bradley, of Washington, D. C., is the guest of relatives for the holidays.

Miss Elizabeth Smith, who is attending Peabody, arrived Tuesday to be the guest of her parents for the Xmas holidays.

Misses Frances Pitts and Thelma Cain, who have positions in Birmingham, arrived Thursday to be the guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Martin, of Tusculooosa, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Nethery.

James S. Smith, who is a student at David Lipscomb, is at home for the Christmas holidays.

James Pitts and Wilburn Hurn, who are with the Dixie Construction company, are home for the holidays.

Mrs. A. K. Bartlett, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Regen, in Columbia, Tenn., has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. Zeno Bailey and

two sons, of Albany, arrived Friday to be the Christmas guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Bibb.

The children of the Belle Mina-Mooresville school, enjoyed a Christmas tree at the auditorium Thursday afternoon.

Rev. Warwick Brandon, former pastor of Belle Mina-Mooresville Methodist church, was here a few days ago. He is now at Birmingham-Southern college.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Garrett, Mrs. Atwood Mathis and James Hill motored to Albany Wednesday night to see the picture, "Ben Hur."

Mrs. Mary Nethery, of Cleveland, Tenn., has been visiting friends and relatives in Belle Mina.

Rev. W. D. Boling is spending the holidays with his parents in Castleberry, Ala.

Miss Mary Augusta Bibb arrived Thursday to be the guests of her parents during Christmas.

Mrs. B. N. Bibb, Rev. W. L. Boling, Misses Ellen Irvine, Florence Woodard and M. Augusta Bibb motored to Athens Sunday to see the White Christmas at the Methodist church.

Miss Florence Woodard left Friday morning to spend the holidays with her parents at Elkmont Springs.



"DON'T TELL THE WIFE," starring Irene Rich, is a Warner Bros. picture.

SYNOPSIS

Ranny Forbes, star polo player, and his beautiful wife, Joan, are temperamental mismatches. Joan wants a divorce. Ranny hesitates, loving her, although secretly knowing she loves Abner Grattan. While they are guests on a week-end cruise on the Stinner yacht a widow, Clara, camps Ranny, arousing Stinner's jealousy. Ranny, whose Clara means nothing to him, mollifying Stinner. Ranny pushes Abner in a way that nearly costs his life and Joan's. Later, Joan is overjoyed when Ranny tells her he will get a divorce. He selects desertion as a ground; when she reminds him of his recent cruel prank he claims he has been a model husband, saying—

"Come, now, Joan," said Ranny, "that little excursion wasn't entirely my fault. It was Abner's, for cutting the dory loose. Whatever his virtues as a lover, frankness compels me to remark that the lad does lack sense. If it hadn't been for you he'd have gone down. Oh, well, that's none of my affair. I was about to remark that inasmuch as I was not insane, a felon, impenitent, consanguineous, or already married, when we were married, the only other possible chance for you would be to catch me at adultery—misconduct. Intimacies with another female, as it were. And, of course, 'hail' virtuously, with a periphrastic thought shrug, 'such a charge would be absurd, against one of my well-known impeccable morality.'"

"Indeed!"

"Look here, now, Joan, I don't like the tone of that 'indeed!'"

"To be blunt, then, I'm not so sure of your self-vaunted virtue."

It was hard to be merry when one wanted to be murderous. But Ranny was. "Joan will be down herself in a moment or two. She'll confirm it!" he beamed.

Ranny hemmed and bowed after that until, out of the corner of his eye, he caught sight of Joan coming down the broad stairs, and knew she was within earshot. Then he went on in a conversational, matter-of-fact tone—

"Mighty lucky stroke of fortune for you, son, with your paltry income, to marry a woman with a million a year in her own name, eh, what? Sacrifice for her, of course—but a woman is happier when making a sacrifice for the man she loves."

"A full million a year, has she?" Abner asked eagerly. He had not yet noticed Joan's approach.

"Yes, and—oh, hullo, here's the happy bride-to-be, herself."

Joan's face was slightly clouded as she joined them. Ranny archly rambled on:

"When I look at you two love birds in the future, tucked away in your modest little nest—if you live on Abner's income, and, of course, you should, for a wife can't respect a husband whom she supports—I'll be able to say: 'They are happy. Joan and Abner. And it is I who have made them so. It is my work! The thought is positively touching!'"

"Ranny, don't be so ridiculous. How can you joke about this matter?"

"How and where are you going to get a divorce?" prodded Abner.

"Well," with a sudden change at Joan, "I did plan to get it in Minnesota, when I'm living there on business. But I've reconsidered, because Joan raised the point that I would have to sue her. That was an unadvisable slip of gallantry in planning on my part. I'm sorry."

He bowed. Instead, that as soon as I go away I won't tell Joan where I'm going, and I'll never communicate with her. Therefore she can sue me for divorce in New York State on the grounds of desertion."

"That's better!" snapped Joan.

"But thought that there was only one ground for divorce in New York—adultery!" objected Abner, suspiciously.

"No," said Ranny blandly, "desertion has lately been made a cause. The Enoch Arden law, it's called. There's only one slight inconvenience—"

"It was that?" simultaneously.

"It was that!" simultaneously.

"You will have to wait seven years. The time necessary to pre-suppose a person, from whom you haven't heard, is dead!"

"SEVEN years! Impossible! Absurd!"

"Then it shall have to be as I suggest."

"Let him get it, Joan. What difference does it really make—so long as it sets you free?"

Joan was stubborn. "There's Paris!"

"We'd both have to go, and I can't take the time away from my new job!"

Joan shrugged. "I suppose you'll have to go to your fancy!"

Ranny was contrite. "Oh, don't put it that way, Joan. Let's part friends—dear, dear friends."

He rang for the butler, and ordered his hat and stick. "Well, now that I've told you two the good news, I've got to toddle along to the club. Stinner's waiting for me. Important plans to discuss, you know, now that I'm a business man."

"Are you sure you're going to meet Stinner?"

"Ha! Ha! How funny you are, Joan."

"Dedging again!"

He accepted his things from the butler. "Sorry, but I really have to run along now."

Suddenly, and so unexpectedly that he nearly knocked her over, Ranny bent and kissed Joan upon the forehead. His face was grave; his eyes far away.

"Excuse me if I seem a bit sentimental," he apologized, "but one cannot have lived so long in the greatest possible intimacy with a woman without there being a certain grief at parting. You will think of me sometimes, Joan—and the jolly times we had together."

"Right!" said Joan, somehow feeling uncomfortably like an asinine movie heroine.

(To be continued)

## DUMB DORA



## MAZIE, THE MODEL







With the aid of a microscope, the edge of a razor is seen to be a series of irregularly-shaped, saw-like teeth. When examining a newly laundered collar no microscope is needed.

**Standards of Excellence**  
After all is said and done virtue with some people is just a case of getting sleepy along about 9 o'clock.

"How do you know your daughter trusts in God?"  
"By the company she keeps."

**What Jerry Says**  
'Twas the day after Christmas  
And all through the house,  
Not a creature was stirring,  
Unless maybe a mouse.  
For Daughter had headache,  
And Pa had the gout,  
And Mother was sleeping,  
Completely worn out.  
And Son was laid up,  
With a scab on his nose,  
He got when he fell,  
On a spot that was froze,  
The candy and nuts  
Were not eaten up,  
There are too many bones,  
For the cat and the pup.  
Enough turkey left,  
To make hash many days,  
And I am just wondering,  
If Christmas time pays.  
With the waste and leftovers,  
We see on the shelves,  
And most of us making,  
Such hog of ourselves.

We'll bet the girls didn't roll their stockings when they hung them up for Santa Claus to fill.

Correct this sentence: "Little Willie is behaving much better since Christmas."

"What's tickling Hickey so?"  
"A bootlegger offered him a commission for new customers, so Hickey, by way of a joke, gave him the Membership roster of the Civic Dry Enforcement League."

"Well?"

"Today Hickey got a commission check for \$550."

**'Tis More Blessed**  
We agree with the person who said all the joy of Christmas is in the giving. It does remove a lot of useless junk from the house.

**Peccetrian Note**—"My dear, the doctor says a brisk walk before going to bed will cure my insomnia."

"Well," returned his wife, "I'll clear the room so that you can walk, and you may as well take the baby with you."

**The Modern Mary**  
Mary had a little lamb,  
To follow her it tried;  
But it could not keep up with her  
Extremely rapid stride.

If a girl guest can't stay more than five days, it is because she has only five frocks.

Many, many men have pulled it,

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Persistent coughs and colds lead to serious trouble. You can stop them now with Creomulsion, an emulsified croscote that is pleasant to take. Creomulsion is a new medical discovery with two-fold action: it soothes and heals the inflamed membranes and inhibits germ growth.

Of all known drugs, croscote is recognized by high medical authorities as one of the greatest healing agencies for persistent coughs and colds and other forms of throat troubles. Creomulsion contains, in addition to croscote, other healing elements which soothe and heal the inflamed membranes and stop the irritation and inflammation, while the croscote goes on to the stomach, is absorbed into the blood, attacks the seat of the trouble and checks the growth of the germs.

Creomulsion is guaranteed satisfactory in the treatment of persistent coughs and colds, bronchial asthma, bronchitis and other forms of respiratory diseases, and is excellent for building up the system after colds or flu. Money refunded if any cough or cold is not relieved after taking according to directions. Ask your druggist, (adv.).

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# SPORTS



## FLAT AS A PANCAKE



## RESORT TO BLAST TO MAKE DAM SAFE

### Rising Waters After Heavy Rains Prove Great Danger

By J. A. WEST  
Owing to the unusually heavy rainfall of last week, it was necessary to blast away a portion of the dam across Lake Ashworth, near town, to save it from being washed away, as the water was within eighteen inches of the top and steadily rising. Only one spillway had been provided up to this time, and so great was the head-water coming down the valley, this one was not sufficient to carry it off.

Several workmen with dynamite relieved the situation, and the dam is now safe.

All the creeks in this section Saturday were the highest tide for many years past. Both Shoal and Cedar creeks were a vast sea of water, inundating all the lowlands tributary to them, and Flint creek backwaters had crossed the Bee Line highway between this point and Albany.

Following the three days and nights of rain, the temperature dropped rapidly Saturday night, bringing much colder weather Sunday, with plenty of ice abounding everywhere.

Dr. John Kimbrough was at Somerville professionally Sunday, being called to see Dr. Peck, who is suffering an attack of pneumonia.

Jack Burleson, who for the past year has been with the road construction people with headquarters at Attalla, spent Christmas at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Burleson. He returned to Attalla Sunday.

The University of Alabama Glee

## Mantell Company To Play Here January 3rd At Princess Theatre

Since Robert B. Mantell, the favorite classic actor, assumed direction of his own business destinies, he has been able to institute a policy that puts Shakespeare and the classics within reach of the masses. In theatres where the capacity is large enough to warrant a \$1.50 top price, this tariff prevails and seats sell at no higher.

Last season Mr. Mantell became free to experiment with the \$1.50 top price plan in several cities. The scheme proved so successful that Mr. Mantell, Miss Hamper and their big organization broke

attendance records. So when he embarked upon his present tour, which, incidentally is the only Shakespearean fare to be offered in this city during the current season, he determined to cling to the \$1.50 plan wherever seating arrangement will permit.

The top price at all performances will prevail during the Mantell-Hamper organization's forthcoming engagement at the Princess theatre, which will open next Monday night, January 3rd.

The play that may be seen and heard will be "As You Like It."

Club is expected to fill an engagement here on the night of December 29, at the city school auditorium. Judging from the advance sale of seats for the performance, a large audience to greet them.

Dunbar Boger of Tampa, Fla., is spending the Christmas holidays with his parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Boger.

For seventy-two hours rain has fallen here practically unabated, ceasing for the first time Saturday evening. All the creeks are out of banks, and lowlands are flooded. Roads are becoming impassable with the exception of the pikes.

With the exception of the drug stores, all business houses closed their doors Saturday for observance of the Christmas holiday.

The ginning establishments here are still ginning, each of the four located here having one day each week for ginning up the remaining fragments of cotton not hitherto ginned and brought to market. It is stated that there is yet considerably of this cotton, late pickings which will be marketed well into the new year.

Owing to the continued rains it has not been possible to turn on the water and try out the new water system. So soon as weather conditions are favorable, a trial will be made, as everything is in readiness.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Locke of Sheffield, are guests of their daughter, Mrs. W. S. Poole, for the holidays.

Miss Myrtle Stover is home from school for the Christmas holidays, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bluet Stover.

Thomas Stewart, and sister,

Willie White and family who for the past several months have been making their home at Orlando, Fla., are back-home for the holidays. Mr. White is following the painting trade in that southern city, and likes the place fine. They will return to Orlando, Fla., after a stay of several days here with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burleson and children are back home after spending a year at St. Augustine, Fla., where Mr. Burleson has handled some large contract jobs.

Monroe T. Swift of Scottsboro, Alabama, is spending the holidays with relatives and friends here and elsewhere in the county.

Miss Lucy Britnell, one of the teachers in the Falkville school, is here for the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Lillie Britnell.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Glover, principal and assistant respectively of the Hartselle public school, are spending the holidays with relatives at Florence.

Both of the Hartselle schools have recessed until Monday, January 8, 1927.

## TWO ARE KILLED BY OIL EXPLOSION

### Pair Believed to Have Been Burned When Blast Occurs

VENTURA, Cal., Dec. 27.—(AP)—Two men were reported killed and several others injured when an explosion rocked the refinery of the General Petroleum company, two and a half miles from here this morning.

The explosion occurred in the absorption unit of the plant. Flames broke out uncontrolled and threatened a nearby gasoline storage tank, which was expected to blow up at any minute. The two men were believed to have been burned to death.

Six or seven others were rushed to hospitals.

The head of the reducing unit blew off from an undetermined cause.

The refinery is located in approximately the center of the Ventura oil producing area.

## Little Betting Is Placed On Game

MONTGOMERY, Dec. 27.—(AP)—While some odds are being offered on Alabama's chances against Leland Stanford in the New Year's game at the Pasadena bowl, there is little betting on the outcome of the game here.

Montgomery is for 'Bama, and few of the dopesters and sportsmen seem inclined to advertise disbeliever in the Crimson Tide's ability to win, although there is plenty of money to cover anything offered against the Southern champions. The Crimson enthusiasm does not generally carry to the point of offering points on Stanford.

Highest price paid for Raw Furs



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## ATHENS BUSINESS EXPECTS CHANGES

### First Of The Year Is Date Set For The Proposed Moves

#### Business Changes in 1927

A number of business changes are promised for 1927, effective January 1. Smith and Rochell will move to the old stand of The Fair on the east side of the square, while Killgore-Underwood Furniture Co. will go to Smith and Rochell's old stand. Markowitz will move to the west side of the square. The new Dodge Garage will probably open shortly after the first of the year.

#### SOCIETY

Miss Mary Houston Martin and Mr. Benjamin Frederick Martin were united in matrimony at the home of the bride Wednesday morning at high noon, Dr. E. G. Mackay, pastor of the First Methodist church, officiating. In addition to the families of the participants a large number of friends, both local and from out-of-town, were invited. The newlyweds left after the ceremony for a short bridal tour, after which they will be at home in Athens.

Among hostesses at social affairs during the past week have been Mrs. R. A. Smith, Mrs. M. M. Rosenau, Mrs. George Duncan, and Miss Margaret Young. Miss Mary Houston Martin, a bride-elect of the season, was honored with a number of showers and parties in the weeks immediately preceding her marriage Wednesday.

Young Wall was a visitor to Montgomery Wednesday.

David Peebles is at home from Branham & Hughes academy of Spring Hill, Tenn., where he has been in school the past fall. Among others arriving from boys' schools are Van Buren Gilbert from Washington & Lee, Thomas Pettus and George Johnson from Cumberland university, John Sims Crutcher from Vanderbilt, James and Andrew Chambers from Anniston, Euclid Gray from University of Alabama, Ronald Gray and Baylis Hightower from Webb school. Girls arriving home for the holidays are Helen Hendricks from Agnes Scott, Le Ruth Glaze from

Gulfport, Miss., Annie Beadles Sanders from Randolph-Macon and Juliet Duncan from Sophie Newcomb.

Mr. and Mrs. William Crutcher have named their little daughter, Margaret Ann.

Miss Elizabeth Hobbs, who has been engaged in Girl Scout work during the past few months, is at home for the holidays.

Mrs. W. P. Chandler, Sr., has returned from Washington, D. C., where she was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Chas. Painter.

A. P. Henderson left Wednesday for a short visit to Florida points.

## Gets the Sun



Lieutenant Leigh Wade is shown wearing his decoration of the Order of the Rising Sun, presented him by the Japanese Government in recognition of the round-the-world plane trip.

## A friend in need

A Tea-kettle scald—a sandwich knife slipping and gashing a finger—children in a scramble—a bruised knee. Bad accidents demand quick relief. You run to the medicine cabinet, to the pantry for makeshift remedies, with one thought, "Will it do?" You know it has to be pure for that open wound; you have to depend upon its being safe to use.

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